



# DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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## Green Pin Campaign to Support Mental Health Awareness Month – May 2022

Temporary Modification of DGO 10.01 – “Uniform and Equipment Classes”

Mental illnesses are common in the United States. Nearly one in five U.S. adults live with a mental illness (52.9 million in 2020). Mental illnesses include many different conditions that vary in degree of severity, ranging from mild to moderate to severe.<sup>1</sup> Each year the month of May is recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month. In support of those who experience mental health illness, and the role physical and emotional well-being plays in our mental health, SFPD members (both sworn and professional staff) are authorized each year to wear a **green pin** during the month of May.

Sworn and non-sworn members (PSAs/Cadets) who wish to participate in the campaign are authorized to wear the 1-inch x ¾-inch green pin on their regular uniform shirt directly above the name plate throughout the month of May. Professional staff are authorized to wear the pin on the upper right portion of their blouse/shirt/sweater. San Francisco Health Service System is providing the pins at no cost. Members should contact Kristine Demafeliz, Wellness Champion at [SFPD.WellBeing@sfgov.org](mailto:SFPD.WellBeing@sfgov.org) or (415) 837-7012 if interested in obtaining and wearing the awareness pin.

Members are encouraged to make use of the resources offered by our Behavioral Science Unit, including the Cordico Wellness App, the San Francisco Health Services System, and National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI).

- San Francisco Police Department Behavioral Science Unit (415) 837-0875
- [San Francisco Health Service System \(sfhss.org\)](http://San Francisco Health Service System (sfhss.org))
- [www.nami.org/Home](http://www.nami.org/Home)

I encourage all Department members to participate in the Green Pin Campaign.

WILLIAM SCOTT  
Chief of Police



*Per DN 20-122, both sworn and non-sworn members are required to electronically acknowledge receipt and review of this Department Notice in PowerDMS. Any questions or clarification regarding this policy should be made to [sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org](mailto:sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org) who will provide additional guidance about the directive.*

<sup>1</sup> [www.nimh.nih.gov/health/statistics/mental-illness](http://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/statistics/mental-illness)